ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A vessel for separating and collecting excess oil from deep fried foods disposed therein before the deep fried foods are sauted. A colander is rotatably mounted in a pot and holds the fried foods. A gear train operatively connects a motor to the colander. The motor is operatively connected to, and rotates, the colander to centrifugally force the excess oil from the deep fried foods out therefrom and collect in the pot. A handle is replaceably attached to the pot by apparatus that utilizes the weight of the handle to prevent the handle from detaching from the pot.